

State of South Dakota

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1018

Introduced by: Representatives Lange, Bartling, Bradford, Burg, Engels, Gassman, Glenski, Hanson, Hundstad, Kroger, Nesselhuf, Olson (Mel), Sigdestad, Thompson, and Van Norman and Senators Nachtigal, Duxbury, Kloucek, Koetzle, and Reedy

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging the United States government to continue to pursue
2 a policy of containment against Iraq.

3 WHEREAS, the present government in Iraq poses a grave threat to world peace; and

4 WHEREAS, the United Nations, with the help of the United States, is effectively containing
5 this threat; and

6 WHEREAS, historically, a much greater threat from the Soviet Union was contained for
7 forty-five years; and

8 WHEREAS, a pre-emptive strike would violate international law and inflame the anger of
9 Arabs; and

10 WHEREAS, our Judeo-Christian heritage defends all human life as sacred; and

11 WHEREAS, the lives of our service men and women are of utmost importance as are the
12 lives of Iraqis; and

13 WHEREAS, some CIA, retired military leaders, and diplomats are profoundly concerned
14 about the immediate threats of increased terrorism provoked by a pre-emptive strike and the



1 long-term "blow-back"; and

2 WHEREAS, millions of people and religious leaders around the world are pleading for
3 patience and peace:

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-
5 eighth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the State
6 Legislature of South Dakota urge the President and Congress of the United States to continue
7 the presently successful process of containment.